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In re Application of:

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For: INK CONTAINER FOR INK
JET PRINTER, H HOLDER
FOR THE CONTAINER,
CARRIAGE FOR THE
HOLDER AND INK JET
PRINTER

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May 27, 2008

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicants respectfully direct the Examiner's attention to the following document, which is enclosed and which is listed on the attached Form PTO 1449:

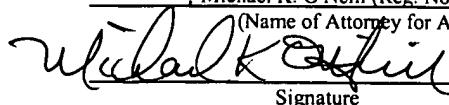
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Decision of the Technical Board of Appeal,
dated April 29, 2008, in counterpart European
Application No. 98116534.3

The Decision cites to four (4) documents at page 5 thereof, referred to as documents D1, D2, D4 and D5. All four documents are already of record in this case, and their citation is therefore not repeated here.

The Decision, which indicates that a counterpart European patent will be maintained in amended form, is dated April 29, 2008.

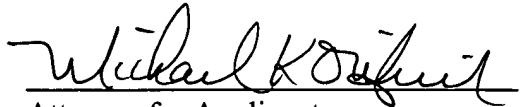
In view of this date, it is hereby certified under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e) that the information in this Information Disclosure Statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this Statement.

In addition, this communication was not received by any individual designated in § 1.56(c) more than thirty days prior to the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement, such that Applicants should not be penalized for patent term adjustment. See 37 C.F.R. § 1.705(d).

This application has received a Notice of Allowance. Accordingly, this Information Disclosure Statement is filed under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(d) and is accompanied by the \$180.00 fee specified at 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p). Consideration of the cited document is accordingly deemed proper, and such action is respectfully requested.

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